

Project Name: *Virginia Mountains Vegetation Treatments Project*

Scoping Period

Start Date: September 29, 2015

End Date: November 27, 2015

How Your Comments are Considered

This is an opportunity for you to be involved in the planning process of the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) and to offer your thoughts on alternative ways for our agency to accomplish what is being proposed.

The National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) requires that federal agencies prepare an environmental assessment that provides an overview of environmental concerns. Public involvement is a key component to the NEPA and National Historic Preservation Act process.

The purpose of scoping is to provide the public an opportunity to comment on project development at an early stage. While inventories for biological and cultural resources are in-progress, and project design is being finalized, this is the public's opportunity to influence the how this project would be shaped.

Scoping focuses on issues or conflicts such as "would the vegetation treatments impact recreational activities? cultural resources? or visual resource management?" or "would vegetation treatments affect air or water quality in the short- or long-term?"

You can also help us by providing us any unique knowledge about the project area, such as a favorite place you like to sightsee or hike, that could be affected by this project.

Thank you for your participation!!

